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1. The Revolutionary Military Council held a top-level military conference at the Pi Yun Temple, Western Hills, Peiping, from 2-6 August with MAO Tse-yung presiding. Officers of the Council and of the headquarters of the Chinese Communist Army, commanding officers and chiefs of staff of the field armies, and of the major military areas, commanding officers of various specialized units and of certain army groups, and commanders of some provincial military districts attended. Four Soviet advisers, including Major General Ch'iu-lieh-wen, also attended.
2. LIU Shao-ch'i, CHU Te, and NIEH Jung-chen addressed the conference the first day; field army and major military area commanders the second day; discussions were held on the third and fourth days on building up the Chinese Communist national defense force and the implementation of a policy against the American rearmament of Japan, on the liberation of Taiwan, and aid to the Democratic Republic of Vietnam.
3. The following resolutions were made:
  - a. The complete building up of the defense force, including training and equipping by 1953. By then military forces are to be 5 percent of the population of China.
  - b. Continue to prepare to liberate Taiwan.
  - c. Increase aid to the Democratic Republic of Vietnam, including more supplies and technical aid.
  - d. Study and discuss with the USSR the conclusion of the Asian People's Revolutionary Military Alliance Agreement.
4. Since all persons attending the conference flew to Peiping, special security precautions were taken at Nanyuen Airfield from 27 July to 7 August. During this period Chinese jet planes continually maintained patrol over Peiping; the situation was fairly strained.

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